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SUBJ: UNESCO: ANTI SPANISH PROTESTS: SMALL DEMONSTRATION OUTSIDE; ACTION WITHIN UNESCO PREVENTED

1. A SMALL CROWD OF NOT MORE THAN 100 PROTESTERS GATHERED OCTOBER 2 IN FRONT OF UNESCO'S MAIN BUILDING FOR ABOUT AN HOUR AND LATER MOVED TO THE BUILDING WHERE THE GOS AND OTHER MEMBER STATES PERMDELS TO UNESCO HAVE THEIR OFFICES.

2. THE SAME MORNING THE BUREAU OF UNESCO'S EXECUTIVE BOARD - - A 40-NATION MEMBER BODY INCLUDING SPAIN - RE-JECTED A CABLED APPEAL FROM THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL TO TAKE CONDEMNATORY ACTION AGAINST THE GOS EXECUTIONS.

3. THE PREVIOUS DAY, OCTOBER 1, A SILENT PROTEST GATHERING PROPOSED BY UNESCO SECRETARIAT EMPLOYEES, APPARENTLY UNDERTAKEN AT THEIR OWN INITIATIVE, WAS STOPPED AS PEOPLE BEGAN TO GATHER IN THE MAIN BUILDING 'S LOBBY WHEN AN EMISSARY OF UNESCO'S DIRECTOR GENERAL APPEARED AND WARNED "ADMINISTRATIVE SANCTIONS" WO M'BOW APPEARED AND WARNED "ADMINISTRATIVE SANCTIONS" WOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST PARTICIPANTS.
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4. COMMENT: THE FIRM ACTION TAKEN AGAINST THESE GOS INITIATIVES AGAIN POINTS UP THE DIRECTOR GENERAL'S EFFORTS TO PREVENT ANY FURTHER POLITICIZATION OF UNESCO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS.
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